

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Twenty years ago, Three Dollar Bill Cinema of Seattle held the first *Seattle Lesbian & Gay Film Festival*, and each year during the month of October, encourages residents to honor the presence of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) voices in film, celebrating achievements while also recognizing how far there is yet to go; and

WHEREAS, Seattle is strengthened by and thrives upon the rich diversity of gender, sexual, racial, ethnic, and cultural identities of its residents; all of which contribute to the vibrant character of our City; and

WHEREAS, Three Dollar Bill Cinema has expanded to produce events year-round, including *Translations: The Seattle Transgender Film Festival*, the popular *Three Dollar Bill Outdoor Cinema* in Cal Anderson Park, the *Reel Queer Youth* media training for teens, and special archival film series; and

WHEREAS, Seattle has led the nation in the establishment of policies aimed at preventing discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity; and

WHEREAS, Three Dollar Bill Cinema's programs provide vibrant and necessary voices in our city's active roster of individuals and organizations working to ensure the full and equal recognition and protection of the fundamental rights and liberties of LGBT people; and

WHEREAS, over the years, Three Dollar Bill Cinema has presented thousands of films from dozens of countries around the globe to a total audience of more than two hundred thousand people;

*NOW, THEREFORE I, EDWARD B. MURRAY, MAYOR OF SEATTLE, DO HEREBY
PROCLAIM, OCTOBER 8, 2015 TO BE*

Seattle Lesbian & Gay Film Festival Day



Mayor Edward B. Murray
City of Seattle

